

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-10 (cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) A system for protecting a computer device from unauthorized access, said protecting system being external with respect to the computer device and being connectable to a source of data to be provided to said computer device, said protecting system comprising:

a controller for processing said data to produce graphic information representing said data, the graphic information being produced in a graphic format inside said protecting system,
and

an output buffer providing a path for transferring the graphic information to a monitor.

12. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11, wherein said graphic information is formed of a pixel pattern displayable ~~data are adapted for displaying~~ by a monitor controllable by said computer device.

13. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11, wherein said source of data is configured for supplying said data via a communication link.

14. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11, wherein said controller is configured for receiving instructions from an input device of said computer device.

15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 14, further comprising an input buffer connected to the input device, and responsive to the instructions from the input ~~said computer~~ device for supplying the controller with a driving signal.

16. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~14~~ 44, wherein the input buffer is arranged separately from the output buffer ~~further comprising an output buffer responsive to output information from the controller for converting said output information into a graphic format.~~

17. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~11~~ 46, wherein said output buffer is configured for temporarily storing converted graphic information until processing of said data is completed.

18. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~11~~ 46, further comprising a storage for storing said data during a period of processing said data by said controller.

19. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~11~~, wherein the controller is configured for replacing a name extension of a program file received from the source of data with another name extension ~~18, wherein said storage is responsive to said output information from the controller for supplying said output buffer with said output information.~~

20. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11, further comprising a controllable input switch connectable to said source of data and configured for preventing said data from being supplied to the controller after termination of communication with said source of data.

21. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11, further comprising a controllable output switch configured for outputting said graphic information.

22. (Currently Amended) A method of preventing unauthorized access to a computer device using a protection device external with respect to the computer device, the method comprising the steps of:

preventing data to be provided to the computer device from being supplied to the computer device,

supplying said data to the protection device, and

processing said supplied data to produce, inside the protection device, graphic information in a graphic format for supplying to a monitor.

23. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of displaying said graphic information formed of a pixel pattern, by a monitor controllable by the computer device.

24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of supplying instructions from an input device of said computer device to said protection device.

25. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~24~~ 22, wherein the instructions from the input device to the protection device are transferred via a path provided by an input buffer separate from an output buffer that provides a path for transferring the graphic information from the protection device to the monitor ~~the step of processing includes the step of converting processed information into a graphic format.~~

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, further comprising the step of temporarily storing converted graphic information until processing of the supplied data is completed.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of storing said supplied data in a storage device during processing of said supplied data.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of preventing said supplied data from being supplied to the protection device after termination of communication with a source of said supplied data.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of providing controllable output of said graphic information.

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of preventing data stored in the computer device from being transferred outside of the computer device.